**Upcoming Events**

**Sep 30** - Project Records, Portfolios and Outstanding Member Forms Due

**Oct 1** - All Star Applications Due

**Oct 4** - Move it Monday!

**Oct 5** - BOCS Proclamation

**Oct 6-17** - TSC Paper Clover Campaign

**Oct 16-17** - Instructors Certification for 4-H Shooting Sports

**Oct 17-23** - National Character Counts Week

**Oct 23** - Clover Club

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**Show Your 4-H Spirit at the BOCS Meeting October 5th!**

**Board of County Supervisors Meeting**

Tuesday, October 5th, 7 pm
1 County Complex Court, Prince William, VA

Click here for more information.

**Join us as we launch a new and exciting 4-H Year!** All PWC 4-H’ers are encouraged to attend this meeting where the Board of County Supervisors will proclaim October 3rd - 9th as National 4-H Week in PWC and will urge our community to join in celebrating and recognizing 4-H as a unique organization that prepares young people to step up to the challenges of a complex and rapidly changing world by pledging their “Head, Heart, Hands and Health” to “Make the Best Better.”

Be sure to show your 4-H spirit by wearing green to the meeting! PWC 4-H’ers Samantha Whysong, PWC 4-H Association Youth President, Samantha Seagle and Tom Harrigan, PWC 4-H Association Secretary (adult officer) will be accepting the proclamation on behalf of Prince William County 4-H.

**The NEW 4-H Year Starts Friday, October 1st!**

Click here for a live PWC 4-H 2021-2022 Calendar of Events.

**Club Fundraising Opportunity: Outside Bake Sale at TSC**

October 6th-17th is our annual 4-H Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply Company! PWC 4-H will have a table display inside the store. All clubs are encouraged to create a poster featuring your club. Clubs are also permitted to host a bake sale at an outside table to earn additional donations for their club, make new connections and recruit new members. Please email Kristin Saul ASAP to select a date and time for your bake sale. **Space is limited!**

**DON’T FORGET! ALL STAR APPLICATIONS DUE FRIDAY!**
4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Results

Virginia 4-H State Shoot
September 11th & 12th

Air Rifle Silhouettes
3rd Place Sr - Noah Richter (15)
1st Place Jr - Alexis Strand (17)
2nd Place Jr - Noble Richter (16)

Archery
2nd Place Sr Instinctive Team - Grace Richter, Noah
Richter and Samantha Seagle

Air Pistol
2nd Place International Standing Team - Grace Richter,
Noah Richter and Noble Richter

Muzzleloader
1st Place Jr National Class Ind - Alexis Strand (85)
2nd Place - Ayden Strand (84)

Skeet
Jr 3rd Place Ind- Ben Stewart

Smallbore
2nd Place Sr Iron Sights Team - Noah Richter, Grace
Richter and Samantha Seagle

Please click here for complete results.

Seniors William Kennedy and Mason Norris and juniors Ben
Stewart and Noble Richter competed at the VA 4-H Shotgun
Championship.

Congratulations!

R.L. Harris Jr. Memorial
4-H Shotgun Championship
September 25th

- **Ben Stewart** won the Junior Sporting Clays
  (41 out of 50) and the top overall Junior.
- **Noble Richter** earned 3rd place overall Junior.
Move it Monday!

Date: Every Monday starting this Monday, October 4th!
Time: 5 pm
Location: PWC Fairgrounds

Back by popular demand! Lace up your running shoes and get ready to MOVE! Move it Monday! Is open to all PWC 4-H’ers interested in learning about healthy living, increasing activity, and having fun with friends.

Community Service Opportunity: Donate Items for Crocheting for a Cause

Kayla’s Service Learning Project

Crocheting for a Cause group led by PWC 4-H’er Kayla Dixon is collecting items for toiletry gift bags in partnership with Volunteer Prince William and Meals on Wheels. In addition to our 4-H-made wash cloths, the youth are collecting 18 individual items for the giftbags. Individually wrapped items needed include: Chapstick, hard candies, travel size hand lotion, nail files, and bar soap. Please drop off donations at the PWC 4-H Office by October 15th.

“I had so much fun. You turned what I expected to be a pretty boring meeting into a fun and educational experience!” ~ Angela

Thank you, Angela, and to all of our adult volunteers and leaders that joined us on September 19th for a fun-filled, hands-on training day that reminded us to focus on the journey. Participants should have received a follow-up email from MaryBeth Lerch, and all 4-H adult volunteers should have received an email with details on how to launch the new 4-H year.

PWC 4-H Leader Kickoff

“Only 61 days until Hanukkah! Only 87 days until Christmas! Only 89 days until Kwanza!”

Be sure to link your Amazon Smile account to Prince William County 4-H Association and support PWC 4-H!

1. Open the Amazon app on your phone
2. Select the main menu (≡) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
3. Select "Prince William County 4-H Association" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app
5. Start shopping! A portion of select purchases will be donated to 4-H at no additional cost to you.
PWC Fairgrounds Fall Gardening

Don’t forget to tidy up your Fair Garden for fall! The PWC Fairgrounds are used throughout the year and our 4-H gardens reflect our respect and commitment to the property and community service. Remove weeds and annuals, reset the mulch, and maybe consider planting bulbs for a beautiful spring!

Did you know...A new curbside yard waste collection program begins October 1st in PWC! Yard waste will be collected separately from trash and recycling. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable paper bags or containers labeled “Yard Waste”. Do not use plastic bags for yard waste collection. Yard waste material will be composted at the newly expanded Balls Ford Road Compost Facility versus landfilled, adding up to 15 years to the Prince William County Landfill’s useful life. Visit www.pwcva.gov/yardwaste for additional details.

Community Service Opportunities at PWC 4-H!

4-H In-Person Office Volunteers

Lend us your helping hands! The PWC 4-H Office is in need of office volunteers to help get us organized after a busy time at the Fair. We’re looking for adult volunteers and homeschool youth or youth groups to volunteer through the month of October at the 4-H Office. *We can work with your schedule! Earn valuable skills around the office as well as serve your community to help 4-H launch the new year! Please email Kristin Saul to volunteer.

*PWC requires masks be worn in the office.

4-H Virtual Volunteers - Create 4-H To-Go Activity Kits for the PWC Library from Home!

Thank you for the tremendous response! We have skink books and catapult kits remaining. We also need a volunteer or club to cut fabric strips for dog toys for “Read to a Dog” at the library.

We’re looking for volunteers to help us put together “4-H To-Go” kits from the fair that we will package to drop off at PWC Libraries for distribution to the community. All of the items needed for the to-go kits will be included in a box to create 50 learning activity kits - we need you to organize them into individual learning kits for youth to "grab and go" when visiting the library. The kits may be assembled at home or at your meeting. Please drop off completed kits by Monday, October 11th. Please click here for the link to signup for a pick-up day!

ISO Space Heaters for the 4-H Children’s Barn

Help keep our 4-H’ers warm! Our new Clover Club meetings will be starting up in October and it will get cold quickly at the 4-H Children’s Barn. If you have an unwanted or unused space heater (electric with covers or encased coils preferred), please consider donating it to PWC 4-H and help keep our littlest 4-H’ers cozy.

Please DO NOT re-enroll in 4-H Online until after October 14th. The 4-H Online membership system will be closed for its annual backup and updates from September 24th through October 14th. We will let you know when it’s time to re-enroll and the steps to re-enroll at that time.

SAVE THE DATE!

WREATHS AMERICA

DEC. 18, 2021
Our youth are our next generation of fair and festival management! The Virginia Association of Fairs (VAR) Youth Leadership Scholarship Contest is for teens age 14-19 who are involved with a VAF-member fair or festival. To participate in the contest, teens submit an application, reference letter and essay by December 3rd. Selected contestants will attend an in-person competition that includes an interview, prepared speech, presentation and extemporaneous speech on January 8th. Contest day is held during the VAF Convention at the OMNI Homestead Resort in Bath County. Participants can win a portion of over $8,000 scholarships.

Click here for the application packet.
Click here to learn more about VAF.

Virginia 4-H: VAF Youth Leadership Contest

Virginia 4-H: Youth In Action Nominations Open

4-H YOUTH IN ACTION

PWC 4-H Teens - apply today for the Virginia 4-H Youth in Action Awards!

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Virginía 4-H: ISO International Club Guest Speakers

Greene County 4-H International Club is seeking virtual guest speakers for their meetings. The club has hosted guest speakers who provided programs on Peru, India, Germany, Senegal, Cuba, Norway, and New Zealand! In addition, members created crafts and cooked recipes from each country, either at home, or in-person. Youth from over five other counties virtually joined in the presentations, too. The meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month starting in October and are open to all Virginia 4-H'ers to join virtually. The October 19th meeting will feature Dr. Katarzyna Jerzak and her son David sharing their experiences living in Poland. Please email Kathryn Alstat to share your international experiences with VA 4-H'ers.

Virginia 4-H: Youth In Action Nominations Open

Virginia 4-H has opened up their request for nominations for their annual Virginia 4-H Youth in Action Awards. This year’s process is different, in that the youth themselves may apply directly for the award. However, they are now required to obtain a letter of reference from their Extension Agent (or the VCE professional responsible for 4-H in their Unit). Youth are asked to apply in the pillar areas of Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. One pillar winner will be chosen from each area, as well as an overall state winner from the four pillar winners. Any 4-H member in Virginia ages 15-18 is eligible to be nominated.

Each of the four winners will receive:

- A $500 mini-grant to develop a significant community project.
- Recognition at a formal award ceremony.
- A full scholarship to attend Virginia 4-H State Congress the week of June 20, 2022, in Blacksburg, VA.
- An opportunity to be featured as the Virginia 4-H Youth Spokesperson for their pillar area.
- An opportunity to represent Virginia 4-H at the national summit for their pillar area.
- Support and mentorship to apply for the 2023 National 4-H Youth in Action Awards.
- An official reference letter from the Virginia State 4-H Program Leader, Jeremy C. Johnson

Previous winners are not eligible, but a nominee that was not selected last year may apply again. Applications are due Friday, October 29th.

Click here for details on how to apply/nominate.
Click here for the online nomination form.
Your Dedicated PWC 4-H Staff

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PWC 4-H Resources

National 4-H
National 4-H Homepage

Virginia 4-H
VCE 4-H
VCE COVID-19 Updates

4-H Online Information
The 4-H Foundation
Educational Resources
4-H All Stars

STEM in Virginia 4-H
VCE Speakers Bureau

Prince William 4-H
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Portfolio Records
Member Record
Cloverbud Sheet
Project Record Ages 9-10
Project Record Ages 11-12
Project Record Ages 13-15
Project Record Ages 16-19

Outstanding Member Form

2020-2021 PWC 4-H Association Officers

Youth Officers
Samantha Whysong, President
Kayla Dixon, Vice President
Alexis Cox, Treasurer
Secretary - Vacant

Adult Officers
Matt Valentino, President
Alan Lerch, Vice President
Sydney Nguyen, Treasurer
Tom Harrigan, Secretary

Committee Chairs
Fundraising Committee - Samantha Whysong
Recognition Committee - Alan Lerch
Membership Committee - 4-H Staff